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SYSTEM FOR MANAGING REGULATED ENTITIES

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Prior to the Examination of the above identified application the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Consideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please ADD new claims 73-89 in accordance with the following:

73. (New) A system for managing regulatory programming information as applied to a plurality of regulated entities, comprising:

a user interface inputting operational data for selected subject items of a selected regulated entity for storage as regulatory information where at least one subject item of at least one regulated entity relates to a plurality of regulatory program areas; and

a centralized database storing the operational data as the regulatory information on a plurality of subject items for a plurality of regulated entities where the regulatory information stored in the centralized database is accessible to a plurality of departments within a regulatory agency that are responsible for different regulatory program areas.

74. (New) The system of claim 73, wherein the centralized database further comprises a requirements library that defines standard requirements for each subject item.

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